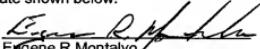


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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of )  
Serge M. Roggeband )  
Serial No. 10/538,462 ) Group Art Unit: 3672  
Filed: June 10, 2005 ) Examiner: William P Neuder.  
SYSTEM FOR USE IN A BORE HOLE FOR ) June 25, 2007  
AXIALLY COUPLING A TUBULAR END AND )  
A MANDREL )  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS )  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 )

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 20 APRIL 2007

Dear Sir:

Attorney for Applicant in the above-captioned application hereby responds to the Office Action mailed 20 April 2007. At the time the Office Action issued, claims 1 to 13 were pending.

The present response amends claim 1 and adds new claims 15 to 29 bringing the total of pending claims to eight in excess of 20. There are three independent claims. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the appropriate excess claims fee under 37 CFR 1.16(i) (i.e. 8 x \$ 50 = \$ 400) to our Deposit Account No. 19-1800, as well as any other fee the present response may incur.

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